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# SEARCHING TRADEMARKS.

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This bulletin is distributed on a periodic basis to keep you informed of changes in special projects, procedures, personnel, systems, and other activities concerning the Trademark Search Branch. We welcome your comments and suggestion for future issues.

## REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES

Delays continue with the printing and availability of registration certificates for the weekly issue. Notices are being posted weekly to inform customers of the data available.

## INTERNET UPDATES

The USPTO website ([www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)) is in the process of being updated to meet Section 508 Disability Access Standards. Each page on the site will provide uniform navigation tools and other user benefits. The Trademark Electronic Search System (TESS) pages are expected to be updated by mid-June. Several other possible changes for TESS are now in the planning stages. These include a "SPAM" disclaimer message (excessive use of the system by a single user), more descriptive system-user-capacity messages, and a possible change of default Boolean operators in order to provide uniformity across the three TESS search options (New User, Structured Search, and Free Form Searching).

## HOLIDAYS

The United States Patent and Trademark Office will be closed on May 28, 2001 for observation of the Federal Memorial Day Holiday.

The first issue of Trademarks Registered, Patent Assignment and Trademark Assignment are available utilizing the new Cassis2 user interface on DVD-ROM. This disc also contains the CD Answer version of the product. Windows capabilities and new and improved Cassis2 features are now available including an online Help system. The individual Cassis product has been enhanced to include several improvements to the Trademarks Registered, Patent Assignment and Trademark assignment disc. The new Cassis2 user interface disc has consolidated the Patent and Trademark assignment products and it provides several enhancements to both discs. Enhancements include the merging of assignment records for patent and trademark assignments into one database which will enable the user to retrieve all assignments for a company without having to change disc. The Trademark Registered disc now allows the user to search using the Attorney of record field. Both discs have the capability to search certain symbols and characters that would normally not be searchable. In addition the USAMARK Volume ID is now included in the complete record display on the Trademark Registered disc. Once the user has identified the appropriate volume ID, you can copy the registration number from Trademarks Registered and paste it into USAMARK.

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## ELECTRONIC TRADEMARK 24-HOUR BOX

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office will provide an electronic Trademark Application 24Hour Box for purchase. The contents of the 24Hour Box will be TIFF images that may be viewed using any standard image viewer. These TIFF images will have the application number stamped on them prior to being scanned and therefore are imbedded within the image. The Trademark Application 24 Hour Box will be available beginning Monday, April 30, 2001 through an annual subscription. Trademark applications that have not been available since October 2000 will be provided on a CD-R at no charge to anyone that subscribes to the Trademark Application 24 Hour box. Any questions or concerns may be addressed to Mr. Ed Johnson at [ED.Johnson@USPTO.gov](mailto:ED.Johnson@USPTO.gov).

## X-SEARCH TIPS - MISSPELLING

There are misspellings in the X-Search system of various words. Users should be aware that when they are conducting a search in X-Search, it would be a good idea to include in the search some variations of the actual spelling of a word to try and increase the chances of locating every possible answer. Some words that tend to be misspelled often that we have noticed and have sent in for correction are "ENCHANCED for ENHANCED", "FLEXIABLE for FLEXIBLE" and "NUTRION for NUTRUTION." Anyone noticing a word that appears to be regularly misspelled can report it via the On-Line/Electronic Database Discrepancy Form available at the Information Counter for corrections.

## USPTO WEB SITE AMONG ENTREPRENEUR MAGAZINE 'S TOP 100

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) web site ([www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)) has been named to Entrepreneur Magazine's Third Annual "Top 100 Best Sites." USPTO's web site is one of seven government sites recognized. The sites are recognized for the money and time saving values that they offer those who own their businesses. USPTO's award-winning site is featured in the April 2001 issue of the magazine

## REFERENCE MATERIALS

The TMSL provides our customers with the tools that are necessary to meet their research needs. At the information counter we have available for public use a collection of reference materials that can be obtained by request. The latest addition to our collection is Stedman's Medical Dictionary 27<sup>th</sup> edition.

## CURRENT AS OF:

As of April 19, 2001 the following records are available:

AREA	FILED AS OF	
Registrations	Apr. 3	2001
Applications – Paper Filed	Mar. 8	2001
Application – Internet Filed	Jan. 9	2001
TM Registration Microfilm	Jan. 23	2001
Applications as Filed Microfilm		
Paper	Nov. 1	2000
Internet	Dec. 1	2000
CD-ROM Registrations	August	2000
CD-ROM TM Pending	August	2000
CD-ROM TM Assignments	Sept.	2000